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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CIVIL MINUTES - GENERAL

Case No. CV 11-2	CV 11-2530-RGK (FFMx)		Date	April 5, 2011	
Title BHAVNA ROHERA, et al v. RAYTHEON AIRCRAFT CO., et al					
Present: The Honorable	R. GARY KLAUSNER	R. GARY KLAUSNER, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE			
Sharon L. Williams		Not Reported			
Deputy Clerk		Court Re	Court Reporter / Recorder		
Attorneys F	Present for Plaintiffs:	Attorneys Pr	resent	for Defendants:	
Not Present		Not Present			
Proceedings: (IN CHAMBERS) Order Remanding Action to State Court					
On March 22, 2011, Bhavna Rohera, et al ("Plaintiffs"), filed suit against Raytheon Aircraft Co., et al ("Defendants"). In their Complaint, Plaintiffs assert state claims for wrongful death relating to an accident involving an aircraft. On March 25, 2011, Defendant Teledyne Continental Motors, Inc. ("Teledyne") removed the action to this Court alleging diversity of citizenship. Upon review of Teledyne's Notice of Removal, the Court hereby remands the action for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332, district courts shall have original jurisdiction over any civil action in which the parties are citizens of different states and the action involves an amount in controversy that exceeds \$75,000. After a plaintiff files a case in state court, the defendant attempting to remove the case to federal court bears the burden of proving the amount in controversy requirement has been met. Lowdermilk v. United States Bank Nat'l Ass'n, 479 F.3d 994, 998 (9th Cir. 2007). If the complaint does not allege the amount in controversy, the removing defendant must supply this jurisdictional fact in the Notice of Removal. Gaus v. Miles, Inc., 980 F.2d 564, 566-567 (9th Cir. 1992). In its Notice of Removal, Teledyne states only that, because the action is one for wrongful death, it is facially apparent from the Complaint that Plaintiffs' seek damages in excess of \$75,000. The Court finds this bare assertion, without even a scintilla of supporting fact, insufficient for satisfying its burden of proof. Therefore, the Court finds that Defendants have failed to make the requisite showing of federal jurisdiction, and remands the action to state court for all further proceedings.					
IT IS SO OR	DERED.				
**cc: Remand Order, docket sheet, letter of remand forwarded to Los Angeles County Superior Court (Case #BC457855):					
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